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MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

April 30, 2015

9:00 a.m.

Room 521 House Office Building

Chair Price called the meeting to order.

Present were: Reps. Price, Garcia, Hooker, McBroom, Somerville, Yonker, Kelly, Chatfield, Courser, Tedder, Zemke, Santana, Brinks, Schor, Chang, Greig,

Absent and excused: Rep. Callton.

Rep. Garcia moved to approve the minutes from the meeting held April 23, 2015. The motion prevailed.

Chair Price recognized Venessa Kessler and Ben Williams, representing the Michigan Department of Education, for an update on the implementation of M-STEP. (attached to the minutes)

Questions followed.

Chair Price laid before the committee SB 221- Schuitmaker – Higher Education; education programs; participation in interstate compacts or agreements concerning distance education; regulate.

Chair Price recognized Senator Schuitmaker to explain SB 221.

The following people testified in support of SB 221 and answered questions by members of the Committee on Education.

Dawn Gaymer representing Western Michigan University
Marnie Wills representing the Michigan Department of Licensing & Regulatory Affairs
Mike Beamish representing the Michigan Department of Licensing & Regulatory Affairs
Robert LeFevre representing Michigan Independent Colleges

The following people filled out testimony cards in support of SB 221 but did not want to testify.

David Bertram representing Michigan State University
Erin Schor representing the Michigan Community College Association
Dr. Mike Boulus representing the Presidents Council

Chair Price laid before the committee HB 4265 – Price – Higher education; education; community colleges; annexation by community college district; revise criteria.

The following people filled out testimony cards in support of HB 4265 but did not want to testify.

Dr. Dale Nesbary representing Muskegon Community College
Andy Johnston representing the Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce

Rep. Garcia moved to amend HB 4265 as follows:

1. Amend page 19, following line 1, by inserting:
2. “Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days after the date it is enacted into law.”.

The motion prevailed, the vote being 16-0-1.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Reps. Price, Garcia, Hooker, McBroom, Somerville, Yonker, Kelly, Chatfield, Courser, Tedder, Zemke, Santana, Brinks, Schor, Chang, Greig,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Rep. Garcia moved to report out HB 4265, substitute (H-1) with the recommendation that it pass. The motion prevailed, the vote being 16-0-1.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Reps. Price, Garcia, Hooker, McBroom, Somerville, Yonker, Kelly, Chatfield, Courser, Tedder, Zemke, Santana, Brinks, Schor, Chang, Greig,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Rep. Hooker moved to excuse the member that was absent. The motion prevailed.

With no further business to come before the committee, Chair Price adjourned the meeting, the time being 9:50 a.m.

Mary Lou Terrien, Clerk

Representative Amanda Price, Chair